

Public Notice

Public comment sought on amendments to the Medicaid Autism Spectrum Disorder Waiver

North Dakota's 1915(c) Medicaid Waiver, Autism Spectrum Disorder Birth through Thirteen Years is being amended to reflect recent North Dakota legislative changes. The Autism Spectrum Disorder Birth through Thirteen Years waiver provides services to children between the ages of birth through 13 who have an autism spectrum disorder diagnosis.

The goal of this waiver is to assist families in keeping their child home instead of placing them in a facility to receive needed services.

Proposed changes to this waiver:

- Increase the age of qualifying children from through the age of 13 to through the age of 15.
- Providers rate increases. Providers were granted a 2 percent increase in 2021 and a .25 percent increase in 2022. The services affected by this provider rate increases are service management and respite care.
- Increase waiver slots from 96 to 150.

Comments and public input on these proposed waiver amendments will be accepted from July 1, 2021, through 5 p.m. Central Time on July 30, 2021.

Comments will be accepted in the following ways:

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View the entire draft waiver renewal at www.nd.gov/dhs/autism/index.html. Copies will also be provided upon request.

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